

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives congratulates and commends Tony Gwynn of the San Diego Padres for his amazing accomplishments on and off the baseball field, and thanks him for many years of unsurpassed baseball excitement.

Mr. HUNTER, Mr. Speaker, I want to commend the outstanding achievements of baseball great, Tony Gwynn, and give my full support to H. Res. 198, introduced by my San Diego colleague, SUSAN DAVIS. Throughout his 20 year career as a professional baseball player with the San Diego Padres, Tony Gwynn has been a role model both on and off the field.

October 7th will mark the end of Tony Gwynn's professional baseball career as a player; a career played entirely in San Diego. Only 16 players in baseball history have played at least 20 seasons and spent their entire career with one team.

Throughout his remarkable career, the future Hall of Famer compiled a lifetime batting average of .338, gained over 3,000 hits (17th most in major league history), won 8 batting championships, 5 Gold Gloves, and is a 15-time National League All-Star. He currently leads all active players in career batting average, hits, and strikeout to walk ratio. He has struck out only 425 times in 9,186 career at bats; averaging only one strike out every 23.8 plate appearances.

Not all of Tony Gwynn's accomplishments have been on the field. His ties to the San Diego community are just as strong as his numbers in the field. It is well known that Tony and his wife, Alicia, are great contributors to humanitarian efforts and devote themselves to community service. While they are widely recognized for helping build and furnish a YMCA in San Diego, what is not as well known are the other philanthropic efforts in which the Gwynns participated. They have helped pay funeral costs for those who could not afford them, obtained Christmas presents for needy families, and bought blocks of Padre tickets for children to sit near him in the right field seats.

Tony and his wife have a son, Anthony II and a daughter, Anisha Nicole. Anthony is a freshman baseball player at San Diego State University, which is his father's alma mater. Now Anthony will have the ability to play once again with his first coach. Tony recently accepted the head coaching position for next year's San Diego State baseball team, continuing his efforts to give back to the community and the sport he loved so much.

Mr. Speaker, Tony Gwynn is deservedly one of the most respected and admired professional athletes in the world. His dedication to his profession, family, and community provides a role model we all can look up to. We will miss number 19 in the Padre line-up, but thank him for all the great moments he has given to the San Diego community and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors.

Mrs. MORELLA, Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WALDEN of Oregon). The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Maryland (Mrs. MORELLA) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 198.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof)

the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY COMMITTEE ON RULES REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO H.R. 2883, INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002

(Mr. SESSIONS asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. Speaker, a "Dear Colleague" letter has been sent to Members informing them that the Committee on Rules plans to meet at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 3, 2001, to grant a rule for the consideration of H.R. 2883, the Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 2002.

The Committee on Rules may grant a rule which would require that amendments be printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD prior to their consideration on the floor.

The Committee on Intelligence filed its report on the bill on Wednesday, September 26. Members should draft their amendments to the bill as reported by the Committee on Intelligence.

Members should use the Office of Legislative Counsel to ensure that their amendments are properly drafted and should check with the Office of the Parliamentarian to be certain that their amendments comply with the Rules of the House.

#### NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2001

Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 203) to amend the Small Business Act to direct the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to establish a pilot program to provide regulatory compliance assistance to small business concerns, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 203

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

##### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

*This Act may be cited as the "National Small Business Regulatory Assistance Act of 2001".*

##### SEC. 2. PURPOSE.

*The purpose of this Act is to establish a pilot program to—*

- (1) provide confidential assistance to small business concerns;*
- (2) provide small business concerns with the information necessary to improve their rate of compliance with Federal and State regulations;*
- (3) create a partnership among Federal agencies to increase outreach efforts to small business concerns with respect to regulatory compliance;*
- (4) provide a mechanism for unbiased feedback to Federal agencies on the regulatory environment for small business concerns; and*
- (5) utilize the service delivery network of Small Business Development Centers to improve*

*access of small business concerns to programs to assist them with regulatory compliance.*

##### SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

*In this Act, the definitions set forth in section 36(a) of the Small Business Act (as added by section 4 of this Act) shall apply.*

##### SEC. 4. SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM.

*The Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 637 et seq.) is amended—*

*(1) by redesignating section 36 as section 37; and*

*(2) by inserting after section 35 the following new section:*

##### "SEC. 36. SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY ASSISTANCE PILOT PROGRAM.

*"(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the following definitions apply:*

*"(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term 'Administrator' means the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, acting through the Associate Administrator for Small Business Development Centers.*

*"(2) ASSOCIATION.—The term 'Association' means the association, established pursuant to section 21(a)(3)(A), representing a majority of Small Business Development Centers.*

*"(3) PARTICIPATING SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER.—The term 'participating Small Business Development Center' means a Small Business Development Center participating in the pilot program.*

*"(4) PILOT PROGRAM.—The term 'pilot program' means the pilot program established under this section.*

*"(5) REGULATORY COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE.—The term 'regulatory compliance assistance' means assistance provided by a Small Business Development Center to a small business concern to enable the concern to comply with Federal regulatory requirements.*

*"(6) SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER.—The term 'Small Business Development Center' means a Small Business Development Center described in section 21.*

*"(7) STATE.—The term 'State' means each of the several States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and Guam.*

*"(b) AUTHORITY.—In accordance with this section, the Administrator shall establish a pilot program to provide regulatory compliance assistance to small business concerns through participating Small Business Development Centers, the Association, and Federal compliance partnership programs.*

*"(c) SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTERS.—*

*"(1) IN GENERAL.—In carrying out the pilot program, the Administrator shall enter into arrangements with participating Small Business Development Centers under which such centers will provide—*

*"(A) access to information and resources, including current Federal and State nonpunitive compliance and technical assistance programs similar to those established under section 507 of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990;*

*"(B) training and educational activities;*

*"(C) confidential, free-of-charge, one-on-one, in-depth counseling to the owners and operators of small business concerns regarding compliance with Federal and State regulations, provided that such counseling is not considered to be the practice of law in a State in which a Small Business Development Center is located or in which such counseling is conducted;*

*"(D) technical assistance; and*

*"(E) referrals to experts and other providers of compliance assistance who meet such standards for educational, technical, and professional competency as are established by the Administrator.*

*"(2) REPORTS.—*

*"(A) IN GENERAL.—Each participating Small Business Development Center shall transmit to the Administrator a quarterly report that includes—*